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In re Application of  
Robert W. Kreis et al  
Serial No.: 09/719,183  
Filed: March 16, 2001  
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This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, originally filed May 24, 2002, (and refilled July 14, 2004) requesting withdrawal of abandonment based on timely filing of a reply.

A review of the file history shows that the examiner mailed an Office action to applicants on August 31, 2001, setting a three month shortened statutory period for reply. On April 10, 2002, the Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment to applicants for failure to file a reply to the Office action. Applicant states that a reply was filed on November 29, 2001, and provides a copy thereof with a properly executed Certificate of Mailing. The original reply (and petition) have not been located and the copies provided with the renewed petition will be utilized. In view of the timely reply, the Notice of Abandonment was mailed in error and is withdrawn and the application restored to pending status with the mailing of this decision.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

**The application will be forwarded to the examiner for further action.**

Should there be any questions about this decision please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by letter addressed to Director, TC 1600, at the address listed above, or by telephone at 571-272-0519 or by facsimile sent to the general Office facsimile number

  
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